IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA, SOUTHERN DIVISION

Beef Products, Inc., BPI Technology,)
Inc. and Freezing Machines, Inc.,) Civ. No. 12-4183
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Plaintiffs,)
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v.)
)
American Broadcasting Companies,)
Inc., ABC News, Inc., Diane Sawyer,)
Jim Avila, David Kerley, Gerald)
Zirnstein, Carl Custer and Kit) Judge Lawrence L. Piersol
Foshee,)
)
Defendants)

DEFENDANT KIT FOSHEE'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Now comes Defendant Kit Foshee, by and through his attorneys, Loevy & Loevy, and Cadwell Sanford Deibert & Garry LLP, and hereby respectfully moves pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6) for an order dismissing Plaintiffs' Complaint with prejudice on the following grounds:

- 1. The Complaint fails to state any claims upon which relief may granted.

 The statements alleged to be defamatory and disparaging do not bear the meanings ascribed to them, are substantially true, or are not assertions of verifiable objective fact.
- 2. Moreover, the common law product disparagement counts must be dismissed because the South Dakota Agricultural Food Products Act ("AFPDA") preempts any common law claims for product disparagement.

¹ Pro hac vice motions of Daniel Twetten and Elizabeth Wang are pending.

- 3. Because none of the challenged statements assert or imply that lean finely textured beef ("LFTB") is not safe for public consumption, the Complaint does not state a claim under the AFPDA.
- 4 Finally, BPI Technology and Freezing Machines, Inc.'s claims must be dismissed for the additional reason that they are not real parties in interest and were fraudulently joined in an attempt to defeat this Court's jurisdiction.
- 5. The foregoing are questions of law that may be decided by this Court under Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6).
- 6. In support of this Motion, Defendant Kit Foshee refers this Court to all files and proceedings herein, including the accompanying Memorandum in Support of Defendant Foshee's Motion to Dismiss.

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Respectfully submitted,

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